

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 23, 27-35, and 44 are pending and were examined. The claims were rejected solely for obviousness-type patenting over commonly owned U.S. Patent 6,702,830 in combination with a secondary reference. Without conceding that such rejection was correct, and in order to expedite prosecution of the present application, applicants are submitting a Terminal Disclaimer over U.S. Patent No. 6,702,830.

As all issues have now been addressed, applicants ask that this application be passed to issue at an early date.

CONCLUSION

If for any reason the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would in any way expedite prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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